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As a member of the U. S. Metric Association I have been invited to the meeting of the NIST and the National Conference on Weights and Measures. Unfortunately, I will be unable to attend. If possible, please mail me a set of the handouts, which will be available at the meeting.

A few comments on metric labeling:

I am totally in favor of metric only labeling and feel that all barriers to this effort should be removed. Furthermore, in light of the Omnibus Trade Act of the 1988 all canned goods, etc. not labeled metric only be required to be dual labeled with the metric unit first and any other unit be in parentheses. In addition, the agencies checking products for proper weights and measures do so with metric units first and then convert those numbers into any subsidiary unit to check for accuracy there.

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